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## REPLY TO EXAMINER'S RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Honorable Commissioner for Patents P.O. box 1450 Alexandria VA 22313-1450

SIR:

This is a response to the Office Action mailed November 28, 2005. A restriction requirement was made identifying Group I, including claims 1-28 and 51-80, drawn to an electro-active device, classified in class 313, subclass 506, Group II, including claims 29-50, drawn to a metal containing layer, classified in class 428, subclasses 209 and Group III, including claims 81-110, drawn to a method of forming a metal-containing layer on a surface of a substrate, classified in class 427, subclass 66.

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Applicant hereby elects to prosecute the claims of Group I (1-28 and 51-

80) with traverse.

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